



# Jamberoo Public School

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## PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Dear Parents,

At Jamberoo Public School we place great value in our public speaking. We have a large number of students involved in programs such as Premier's Debating Challenge, Rotary Public Speaking Competitions and the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition. In order to provide greater opportunities for students who are developing these skills we will be running our school based public speaking competition again in 2011.

All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be expected to participate. They will need to prepare a short speech on an open-ended topic to be presented in front of their class. As much as possible the content for the speech should come from the students' ideas. Parents could help by discussing and suggesting ideas that might be useful and by listening to the students when they practice their completed presentations. One student from each grade will be given the opportunity to present at a whole school assembly during Education Week.

### The competition will proceed as follows:

- Term 2, Week 9 - Topics and competition details sent home and discussed in class. Students are to prepare and rehearse their speeches at home.
- Term 3, Week 1 and 2 – Class presentations. Classroom teachers will inform students of their presentation date.
- Term 3, Week 2 – Three finalists from each grade will present again, and complete an impromptu speech (Kindergarten excepted). Grade winners will then present during Education Week celebrations in Week 3.

### Topics:

- Kindergarten – My Favourite Toy (30 seconds to 1 minute)
- Year 1 and Year 2 – How To Make Friends OR If I Had 3 Wishes (1-2 minutes)
- Year 3 and Year 4 – It's What's Inside That Counts OR Manners Matter (2-3 minutes)
- Year 5 and Year 6 – If I Ruled The World... OR Being Young Is Overrated (3-4 minutes)

You will find some tips on the back of this page to help you prepare for your presentation.

Regards,  
Melissa Dean and Sharon Behl-Shanks